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1. WE ASSUME BRITISH EMBASSY WILL SOON BE PASSING

DEPARTMENT REPORT OF BRITISH AMBASSADOR'S LATEST CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER AL-KHOLY ON EGYPTIAN THOUGHTS REGARDING ARAB SUMMIT PROPOSED BY KING HASSAN AND ACCEPTED BY KING HUSSEIN AMONG OTHERS.

2. BRIEFLY (ACCORDING TO FCO'S CRAIG) AL-KHOLY SAID EGYPT DID NOT WANT MEETING OF FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTERS BUT WOULD GO ALONG WITH SUMMIT IF OTHERS WANTED ONE. HE THOUGHT SUMMIT WOULD INCREASE RATHER THAN DECREASE ARAB SOLIDARITY, AND QADHAFI COULD BE CONTAINED.

3. EGYPT VISUALIZED TWO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: (1) IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION 242 AND (2) INVOLVEMENT OF PALESTINIANS IN ANY SETTLEMENT.

4. CRAIG'S ONLY COMMENT WAS TO SHAKE HIS HEAD IN SORROW AT THOUGHT OF MORE ARAB SOLIDARITY AT THIS POINT IN TIME. HE SAID HOLDING OF A SUMMIT RISKS CASTING EXTREMIST SENTIMENTS INTO CONCRETE, THUS REDUCING NEGOTIATING OPTIONS MUCH AS KHARTOUM SUMMIT DID AFTER 1967 WAR.

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